#### § 1210.40

#### § 1210.40 Will ONRR keep the information I provide confidential?

The ONRR will treat information obtained under this part as confidential to the extent permitted by law as specified at 43 CFR part 2.

# Subpart B—Royalty Reports—Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources

SOURCE: 73 FR 15892, Mar. 26, 2008, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 1210.50 What is the purpose of this subpart?

The purpose of this subpart is to explain royalty reporting requirements when energy and mineral resources are removed from Federal and Indian oil and gas and geothermal leases and federally approved agreements. This includes leases and agreements located onshore and on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

# \$1210.51 Who must submit royalty reports?

- (a) Any person who pays royalty to ONRR must submit royalty reports to ONRR.
- (b) Before you pay or report to ONRR, you must obtain a payor code. To obtain a payor code, refer to the ONRR *Minerals Revenue Reporter Handbook* for instructions and ONRR contact information (also see §1210.56 for information on how to obtain a handbook).

#### § 1210.52 What royalty reports must I submit?

You must submit a completed Form MMS-2014, Report of Sales and Royalty Remittance, to ONRR with:

- (a) All royalty payments; and
- (b) Rents on nonproducing leases, where specified in the lease.

### § 1210.53 When are my royalty reports and payments due?

- (a) Completed Forms MMS-2014 for royalty payments and the associated payments are due by the end of the month following the production month (see also § 1218.50 of this chapter).
- (b) Completed Forms MMS-2014 for rental payments, where applicable, and the associated payments are due as

specified by the lease terms (see also §1218.50 of this chapter).

(c) You may submit reports and payments early.

#### § 1210.54 Must I submit this royalty report electronically?

- (a) You must submit Form MMS-2014 electronically unless you qualify for an exception under §1210.55(a).
- (b) As of December 31, 2011, all reporters/payors must report to ONRR electronically via the eCommerce Reporting Web site. All reporters/payors also must report royalty data directly or upload files using the ONRR electronic web form located at https:// onrrreporting.onrr.gov. You must upload your files in one of the following formats: The American Standard Code for information interchange (ASCII) or Comma Separated Values (CSV) formats. You must create your external files in the proprietary ASCII and CSV file layout formats defined by ONRR. You can generate these external files from your system application. Reporters/payors also can access detailed information and instructions regarding how to use the eCommerce Reporting Web site at http://www.onrr.gov/FM/  $PDFDocs/eCommerce\_FAQ.pdf.$
- (c) Refer to our electronic reporting guidelines in the ONRR *Minerals Revenue Reporter Handbook*, for the most current reporting options, instructions, and security measures. The handbook may be found on our Internet Web site or you may call your ONRR customer service representative (see § 1210.56 for further information on how to obtain a handbook).

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#### § 1210.55 May I submit this royalty report manually?

- (a) The ONRR will allow you to submit Form MMS-2014 manually if:
- (1) You have never reported to ONRR before. You have 3 months from the date your first report is due to begin reporting electronically;
- (2) You report only rent, minimum royalty, or other annual obligations on Form MMS-2014; or

- (3) You are a small business, as defined by the U.S. Small Business Administration, and you have no computer.
- (b) If you meet the qualifications under paragraph (a) of this section, you may submit your form manually to ONRR by:
- (1) U.S. Postal Service regular or express mail addressed to Office of Natural Resources Revenue, P.O. Box 25627, Denver, CO 80225-0627; or
- (2) Special courier or overnight mail addressed to Office of Natural Resources Revenue, Building 85, Room A-614, Denver Federal Center, West 6th Ave. and Kipling Blvd., Denver, Colorado 80225.

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# § 1210.56 Where can I find more information on how to complete the royalty report?

- (a) Refer to the ONRR *Minerals Revenue Reporter Handbook* for specific guidance on how to prepare and submit Form MMS-2014. You may find the handbook at <a href="http://www.onrr.gov/FM/Handbooks/default.htm">http://www.onrr.gov/FM/Handbooks/default.htm</a> or from the contacts on that Web page.
- (b) Reporters/payors should refer to the handbook for specific guidance on royalty reporting requirements. If you require additional information, you should contact ONRR at the above address. A customer service telephone number is also listed in our handbook.
- (c) You may find Form MMS-2014 at http://www.onrr.gov/FM/Forms/ AFSOil\_Gas.htm or from contacts listed on that Web page.

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#### § 1210.60 What definitions apply to this subpart?

Terms used in this subpart have the same meaning as in 30 U.S.C. 1702.

#### Subpart C—Production Reports— Oil and Gas

SOURCE: 73 FR 15892, Mar. 26, 2008, unless otherwise noted

## § 1210.100 What is the purpose of this subpart?

The purpose of this subpart is to explain production reporting requirements when energy and mineral resources are removed from Federal and Indian oil and gas leases and federally approved agreements. This includes leases and unit and communitization agreements located onshore and on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

#### § 1210.101 Who must submit production reports?

- (a) If you operate a Federal or Indian oil and gas lease or federally approved unit or communitization agreement, you must submit production reports.
- (b) Before reporting production to ONRR, you must obtain an operator number. To obtain an operator number, refer to the ONRR *Minerals Production Reporter Handbook* for instructions and ONRR contact information (also see §1210.106 for information on how to obtain a handbook).

# § 1210.102 What production reports must I submit?

- (a) Form MMS-4054, Oil and Gas Operations Report. If you operate a Federal or Indian onshore or OCS oil and gas lease or federally approved unit or communitization agreement that contains one or more wells that are not permanently plugged or abandoned, you must submit Form MMS-4054 to ONRR:
- (1) You must submit Form MMS-4054 for each well for each calendar month, beginning with the month in which you complete drilling, unless:
- (i) You have only test production from a drilling well; or
- (ii) The ONRR tells you in writing to report differently.
- (2) You must continue reporting until:
- (i) The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) or ONRR approves all wells as permanently plugged or abandoned or the lease or unit or communitization agreement is terminated; and
- (ii) You dispose of all inventory.
- (b) Form MMS-4058, Production Allocation Schedule Report. If you operate an offshore facility measurement point